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Adjutant's Notes from the Desk of CPT Williams

Up-Coming Event

Fourth of July Celebration!

**Join us on the Presidio for Fun and
Fireworks over Monterey Bay!**

**Guaranteed the Best view in Town!
Remember: Safety First!**



Federal Holidays, Training Holidays for 2000:

July 3,	Training Holiday
July 4,	Independence Day
Sept 3,	Training Holiday
Sept 4,	Labor Day

Don't Forget to check-out the
229th Battalion Homepage at
<http://pom-www.army.mil>

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From the Desk of the Battalion Commander

In this issue of the battalion's newsletter, I would like to bid farewell to all I have served with here at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Monterey, California. This is my last letter to everyone in the 229th MI Battalion, but not the last newsletter. It has been the most rewarding job I have ever had in my entire career and wish to thank each and every one of you. By the time you receive this letter, my family and I will be well on our way to the great Puzzle Palace, the Pentagon. I will be working for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, J-5, as a Political - Military Officer for Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia and the Philippines.

Since taking command of the 229th MI Battalion, we have made significant progress in filling the Army's ranks with quality linguists. This has been no easy feat. Most of the credit I bestow upon the families that supported their spouses through their academically challenging time while stationed here at the Presidio. For this, I salute you and wish all of you the best of luck in all your future endeavors.

I leave you now in the best of hands. Your new Battalion Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Jayvee A. Viaene, is a capable and accomplished leader. I am leaving the Presidio with a sound conscience knowing your new Battalion Commander and his wife Jools, will treat you all with the same caring and compassion that has brought our family closer through my tenure as your Battalion Commander.

The Viaene's are no stranger to the Presidio. In fact, Lieutenant Colonel Viaene first came to the Defense Language Institute as a Lieutenant in 1987. Since that time he has served at Fort Lewis, Washington, Haiti, and most recently in Europe on General Clark's staff as an intelligence analyst, first as Chief of the Balkans Section and then as Operations Officer and Deputy Commander of SURVEY Division, J2 Intelligence Directorate, United States European Command.

Good bye everyone, and best wishes to all your future endeavors.

LTC Steve Rundle and Rebecca Rundle